

# White Roding PARISH COUNCIL

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE WHITE RODING SOCIAL & SPORTS CLUB WHITE RODING ON 20 JULY 2015**

Present

Cllr D Bardell

Cllr D Edwards

Cllr V Kelly

Cllr J Spalding

Cllr H Chaston (alter item 21/15)

District Cllr M Lemon

Parish Clerk P Roberts

1 member of the public

### **18/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

All Councillors present

### **19/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive declarations of interests relating to items on the Agenda

*Council Members are reminded that they should submit a revised Declaration if their circumstances have changed.*

Agenda item 25/15-1 - Cllr V Kelly & Cllr J Spalding ref Planning Application UTT/15/1950/OP

### **20/15 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 18 May 2015 were approved as true record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chairman Cllr D Bardell.

The draft minutes of the Annual Assembly held on the 18 May 2015 were noted and will be approved at the next Annual Assembly to be held on the 16 May 2016

**21/15**

**CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR**

As required by UDC the Council have to co-opt a Councillor to White Roding Parish Council to fill the vacancies on White Roding Parish Council

It was unanimously agreed that Mrs Helen Chaston be co-opted as a Councillor to White Roding Parish Council. The Acceptance of Office was duly signed and Cllr Chaston joined the meeting.

**22/15**

**PUBLIC FORUM**

15 minutes is available for public question time.

The question of what exactly is the definition of affordable housing was raised by the member of the public present as they had been unable to get a succinct answer from UDC. Clerk to contact the Rural Community Council of Essex to see if there is any relevant paperwork available that clarifies the meaning and types of affordable housing available. Although the Village Plan, which was produced many years ago, showed a need for housing for local people it was noted that the RCCE and County Councillor Susan Barker had in recent years organised the funding for the RCCE to provide a more current survey of local housing needs. The Clerk to contact RCCE and Cllr Barker to ask if the results of this survey are available and also the costs involved in possibly conducting a new survey on the affordable housing needs in White Roding.

Ex Agenda

- District and County Councillors Report

District Councillor Mark Lemon reported:

- Uttlesford District Council meeting w/c 27/7/2015 will discuss the proposed new M11 junction at Gilden Way Harlow – this may have an effect of the volume of traffic using the A1060 through White Roding village.
- It had been reported that the Leader of Essex County Council had stated that a 2<sup>nd</sup> runway at Stanstead was inevitable and local pressure groups should be aware of this.

**23/15**

**CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

To receive Clerk's Report and details of correspondence received as per circulated list.

**24/15**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported:

- No more information received regarding the purchase of land opposite Warricks
- Village Fete to be held on 2 August

**25/15**

**COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

Cllr V Kelly reported:

- Survey of Rural Policing Link distributed
- Oil Theft on the increase across this area of Essex
- White Roding Information pack has been distributed throughout the village and there are some available for future use although some names and contact numbers need to be altered

Cllr J Spalding reported:

- That she had attended the latest Bus Users meeting and it was again mentioned that there may be possible future changes to bus routes serving the White Roding area although there was no information available at present. Cllr Spalding registered her concerns that there is no buses that go directly to Dunmow or Saffron Walden from White Roding.

**26/15**

**BROADBAND**

Information regarding Broadband availability in White Roding

Although the Essex County Council Superfast Broadband initiative does not show any proposed upgrade of Broadband in the White Roding area till 2017 at the earliest, there are ongoing projects that if successful may alter the availability dates. BT personnel, when seen working on a telephone box in White Roding, stated they were upgrading the wiring to fibre optic so this may be the first step to increase Broadband facilities for the village.

**27/15**

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

27/15-1 To approve membership of Campaign for Rural England &

Rural Community Council of Essex for 2015/16  
- Approved

27/15-2 The following cheques were approved for payment

Agenda Item	Cheque Number	Details	Amount
27/15-2.1	100554	Campaign for Rural England 2015/16	36.00
27/15-2.2	100555	HMRC – Tax re June & July 2015	78.80
27/15-2.3	100556	P Roberts Salary June & July 2015	315.44
27/15-2.4	100549	P Roberts Expenses June - July 2015	51.04
27/15-2.5	100550	RCCE Subscription 2015/16	48.00
<b>Total Payments for May 2015</b>			<b>£529.28</b>

27/15-3 Advise Councillors of current Bank Statement figures - Noted

## **28/15**

### **HIGHWAYS**

To discuss any Highways matters regarding White Roding  
The following to be reported:

- Potholes in Marks Hall Lane outside Little Owls cottage
- Potholes in Church Lane along from telephone exchange
- It had been noted that speed checks had recently been carried out in the village

## **29/15**

### **PLANNING MATTERS**

29/15-1 Planning Applications for debate & resolution  
UTT/15/1950/OP It – Outline application for the erection of 8 no. affordable dwellings with all matters reserved except access.

Cllr H Chaston declared an interest therefore Cllrs Bardell and Edwards would reply on behalf of White Roding Parish Council as the only councillors not having declared an interest.

29/15-2 Planning Applications approved by UDC - noted

29/15-3 Planning issues for debate- None

## **30/15**

### **UTTLESFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Update regarding any information received from UDC -  
None

**31/15 INFORMATION EXCHANGE/ NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Items for discussion only – Clerk to contact Essex Records Office regarding storage of White Roding Parish Council paperwork and if there are any charges involved. Clerk to contact Essex Association of Local Councils regarding legal requirements and time limits of paperwork held by the Council.

**32/15 CONFIRM DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting to be held on 21 September 2015

**33/15 CLOSE MEETING**

Meeting closed at 8.07 p.m.